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THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Amendment. During Senate consideration of the Foreign Assistance Authorization bill, the Senate passed by voice vote a Kassebaum-Nunn amendment repealing the Clark amendment that prohibits aid to Angola. The crucial vote occurred on a motion that tabled, by a vote of 66-29, a Tsongas amendment that would have made the repeal contingent on a ceasefire in Namibia. Only three Republicans voted against the Administration. Additionally, an amendment was adopted that urges the appointment of an Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights. (U)

- 2. UN Meeting with Panamanian Foreign Minister. In an hour-long meeting with Panama's Foreign Minister, we heard out their concerns about Treaty implementation and agreed to promote a timely address of outstanding issues by intensified diplomatic efforts. I emphasized our intention to honor the Treaties in letter and spirit; and expressed our satisfaction that Panama has thus far successfully weathered the stresses resulting from the death of General Torrijos. I pressed hard on the dangers for the entire region of the Soviet-sponsored arms build-up, and observed that while we do not want confrontation, we can ignore the build-up only at our collective peril. I also held out hope for the possibility of an eventual meeting between you and Royo. (C)
- 3. Status of the Soviet-West European negotiations on the Siberian Pipeline project. West German and French firms have signed a contract with the Soviets to build compressor stations for the Siberia-Western Europe gas pipeline. Several other pipeline issues, including gas pricing, have yet to be resolved. We are continuing our work on the energy alternatives which you promised Schmidt in Ottawa and plan to make a presentation in October. German Foreign Minister Genscher told me that our presentation will not prevent the project from being finalized. We may, nevertheless, be able to encourage the Europeans to diversify further and to limit the amount of Soviet gas purchased. Chancellor Schmidt wants to announce final agreement during the November 23-24 Brezhnev visit to Bonn. (C)

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October 1, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT:

Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Secretary Haig's Evening Report for September 30, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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